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## 1. General:

Formation flying by units of the 24th Air Army was continued.

were circulated concerning the improvement of the Neuhausen airfield near Cottbus.

**2. Aircraft Count:**

Finstervalde:	17 MiG-15's on 17 September.
Rechlin-Laers:	56 MiG-15's on 9 September.
Justerbog:	48 MiG-15's/17's on 17 September.
Neuruppin:	30 to 32 MiG-15's/17's, and two IL-28's on 8 September.
Wittstock:	37 MiG-15's on 23 September.
Gross Doelln:	26 IL-28's on 23 September.
Oranienburg:	37 IL-28's, two LI-2's and six PO-2's on 19 September.
Briesen:	34 IL-28's on 6 September.
Bautzen-Litten:	19 YAK-11's on 20 September.
Justerbog Damm:	8 PO-2's on 2 September.
Grossenhain:	No aircraft on 22 September.
Reinsdorf:	No aircraft during month of August.

### 3. Air Activity:

a. Air units of the 24th Air Army repeatedly practiced flying in squadron and regimental strength.

b. [redacted] there were joint exercises by two formations of 25 to 30 IL-28's and two formations of eight to 10 MIG-15's on 23 and 24 August.

c. On 9 September, 24 MiG-15's, in three formations of eight, were observed

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flying over the Justerbog airfield.

- d. On 20 September, one formation of 36 IL-28's was observed flying over the Werneuchen airfield.
- e. Aircraft of the Neuruppin Fighter Regiment, which departed from Neuruppin on 27 August, returned on 7 September. Repair work on the Neuruppin runway was completed on 6 September.<sup>1</sup>
- f. Between 11:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. on 22 September, nine MIG-15's [redacted] landed on the Gross Doelln airfield. These same aircraft departed from Gross Doelln at 3:00 p.m.<sup>2</sup>

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#### 5. Construction Projects:

- a. On 16 September, work was only done at the eastern end of the runway at the Grossenhain airfield. The construction work is allegedly to be completed by late October. The Token radar set is still at its previous location.
- b. According to rumors, groups of workers are to be detached by the VEB Bau-Union Sued to the Neuhausen airfield near Cottbus and workers from the Alt Loennwitz airfield are to be transferred to Neuhausen. Construction work in Neuhausen was scheduled to begin on 1 September, but was not begun because of a lack of laborers.<sup>4</sup>

#### 6. Rail Fuel Shipments:

Rail fuel shipments were made from Boehlen to the following airfields: 17 tank cars to Oranienburg on 17 September; 8 tank cars to Gross Doelln on 25 August; and one tank car to Gross Doelln on 10 September.

#### Comments:

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- 1. The airfield where the Neuruppin Fighter Regiment was stationed between 27 August and 7 September is not known.
- 2. The origin of these aircraft is unknown.

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4. According to previous plans, a firing range was intended to be constructed at the Neuhausen airfield. Additional construction projects are unknown. It is probable that the construction work at the Alt Loennwitz airfield will terminate in the near future.

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